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Assignee:

**Intel Corporation** 

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## PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

In accordance with the provision of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the Non-Final Office Action mailed September 25, 2003, said period of response being extended from December 25, 2003 to March 25, 2004.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0743 in the amount of \$950.00 to cover the required extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully Submitted

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